

Minutes.....June 5, 2000

10:00 a.m.

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Monday, June 5, 2000, the following members were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Nancy McCaffree, Vice Chair
Bob Anderson, Commissioner
Gary Feland, Commissioner

Commissioner Rowe was at the dentist and Commissioner Anderson was on vacation but left their votes with the Commission Secretary.

There were no Utility Division Action Items.

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt, Administrator
Transportation & Centralized Services Division

(262) In the matter of T-00.18.PCN- On January 12, 2000 William J. Lindsay dba Roundup Cab Co., Roundup, Montana filed an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity. On March 13, 2000 the Commission approved the application and granted the authority:

Class B – Passengers between all points and places in Roundup, Montana and a twenty (20) mile radius thereof. The applicant filed a request for an extension of time in which to meet compliance. That extension expired on May 11, 2000. No compliance has been received. An Order to Show Cause was issued on May 15, 2000 and sent by certified mail and received by the applicant on May 18, 2000. There has been no response.

Commissioner Feland moved to cancel and issue Order To Show Cause No. 6473A. Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioners Rowe and Anderson voted aye.

(263) In the matter of T-00.38.RI - On April 20, 2000 The Montana Tariff Bureau, agent, on behalf of Mergenthaler Transfer & Storage Co., Helena, Montana filed an application to increase rates and charges in Item 265 of Montana Tariff Bureau Household Tariff No. 1. The rate increase was noticed to the public on May 1, 2000. There were no protests. Commissioner McCaffree moved to approve the increase in rates and changes in Item 265. Commissioner Feland seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioners Rowe and Anderson voted aye.

(264) In the matter of TN2049 - Mary Belle Harper dba VIP Taxi Service, Livingston, Montana requests permission to lease PSC No. 5682 to John P. Bechuck dba VIP Taxi Service, Livingston, Montana for a six month period, June 5, 2000 to December 5, 2000.

Class B - Passengers and small packages between all points and places within Livingston, Montana and a fifty (50) mile radius thereof. Limitations: (1) Movements which both originate and terminate within Bozeman, Montana are prohibited. (2) Transportation service is restricted to cab or taxi service only. (3) Transportation service to be provided is restricted against utilizing vehicles in excess of eight (8) person capacity. (4) Transportation service to or from Gallatin

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Field in or near Belgrade, Montana, must originate or terminate in Livingston, Montana. (5) Transportation of Burlington Northern crews is prohibited. (6) Truck delivery service is prohibited.

Class C - Passengers between all points and places in the following counties: Broadwater, Gallatin, Granite, Jefferson, Lewis and Clark, Meagher, Mineral, Missoula, Park, Powell, Sanders, Stillwater, Sweetgrass, and Yellowstone. Limitation: (1) Transportation is limited to the account of Livingston Memorial Hospital or their successors in interest, and (2) Transportation in limousine service is prohibited.

Commissioner Feland moved to approve the request to lease PSC No. 5682 for a period of six months. Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioners Rowe and Anderson voted aye.

(265) In the matter of T-00.43.AR - Lee Reynolds, Helena, Montana, Montana PSC No. 869, has submitted a Verified Statement showing that all garbage transportation during 1999 was included in his monthly mobile home park rent. A determination must be made if the Verified Statement is acceptable for the 1999 annual report filing.

Class D - Ashes, trash, waste, refuse, rubbish and garbage in the City of Helena, Montana, and to or from points immediately tributary thereto. Carrier is allowed to transport authorized commodities to certified landfills from territory authorized. Limitations: Transportation between points served by rail carriers, or between points served by a motor carrier operating between fixed termini or over a regular route, is prohibited.

Commissioner McCaffree moved to accept the verified statement for the 1999 Annual Report. Commissioner Feland seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCAFFREE, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

GARY FELAND, Commissioner

ATTEST:

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

Minutes.....June 6, 2000

9:00 a.m.

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, June 6, 2000 the following members were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Bob Anderson, Commissioner
Gary Feland, Commissioner
Bob Rowe Commissioner

Commissioner McCaffree was absent and did not vote on the following item.

APPEARANCE

Joel Tierney, David Burchett

(266) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Kalbzuba Oil & Gas – Natural Gas Supplier License – N2000.4.59; Commissioner Rowe moved to issue the Natural Gas Supplier License. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

GARY FELAND, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

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9:00 a.m.

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, June 6, 2000 the following Quorum members were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Bob Anderson, Commissioner
Gary Feland, Commissioner

APPEARANCE
Leroy Beeby

(267) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Fairmont Hot Springs – Accounting Order – Docket No. D99.4.86; Commissioner Anderson moved to approve Accounting Order No. 6162a. Commissioner Feland seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

GARY FELAND, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

Minutes.....June 9, 2000

10:00 a.m.

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Friday, June 9, 2000 the following members were present:

Nancy McCaffree, Acting Chair
Bob Anderson, Commissioner
Gary Feland, Commissioner
Bob Rowe Commissioner

Commissioner Fisher was absent but left his proxy to Commissioner Anderson.

APPEARANCE

Denise Peterson, Will Rosquist, Eric Eck

(268) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Montana Power Comments regarding Bonneville Power Administration's proposed settlement agreements for the residential exchange program; Commissioner Rowe moved to send letter to Bonneville Power Administration regarding proposed agreements for residential exchange program (Note: Montana Consumer Counsel will send separate letter). Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Anderson votes Commissioner Fisher aye.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

NANCY McCAFFREE, Acting Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

GARY FELAND, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

DAVE FISHER, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Monday, June 12, 2000, the following members were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Nancy McCaffree, Vice Chair
Gary Feland, Commissioner

Commissioners Anderson and Rowe were at the NARUC - Western Conference in Santa Fe, New Mexico, but left their votes with the Commission Secretary.

APPEARANCE

Dan Elliott, Administrator
Utility Division

(269) In the matter of USWEST COMMUNICATIONS Docket No. N2000.5.72- On May 19, 2000, U S West filed Tariff Transmittal 00-19 to introduce a usage charge of \$0.26 on 800 ServiceLine calls that originate from payphones. This introduction consistent with a 1997 FCC mandate that orders compensation to payphone services providers for calls that are not collected at payphone origination sites. Commissioner McCaffree moved to approve the tariff filing. Commissioner Feland seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioners Anderson and Rowe voted aye.

(270) In the matter of SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY Docket N2000.5.74 - On May 23, 2000, Sprint Communications Company filed changes to its Price List No. 1, its 123rd Revised Page 1. The changes are to introduce Sprint Business Late Fee, a late fee of 1.5% on payments not received within 30 days of the invoice date, where capabilities exist. Commissioner McCaffree moved to approve the changes to its Price List No. 1. Commissioner Feland seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioners Anderson and Rowe voted aye.

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt, Administrator
Transportation & Centralized Services Division

(271) In the matter of TN2050 - Thomas P. McGree, Butte, Montana requests permission to continue the lease of PSC No. 2530 to Tucker Transportation, Inc., Butte, Montana for a twelve month period, June 14, 2000 to June 14, 2001.

Class D - Garbage, scrap, salvage and refuse in the City of Butte, Montana, and to or from points immediately tributary thereto, but not exceeding a distance of ten (10) miles from said city.
Carrier is allowed to transport authorized commodities to certified landfills from territory authorized.

Commissioner McCaffree moved to approve the request to continue the lease. Commissioner Feland seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioners Anderson and Rowe voted aye.

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There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCAFFREE, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

GARY FELAND, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

Minutes.....June 13, 2000

9:00 a.m.

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, June 13, 2000 the following members were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Nancy McCaffree, Vice Chair
Gary Feland, Commissioner

Commissioners Anderson and Rowe were at the NARUC - Western Conference in Santa Fe, New Mexico, but left their votes with the Commission Secretary.

APPEARANCE

Denise Peterson, Eric Eck

(272) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of MPC – Tier Filing – Docket No. D97.7.90; Commissioner McCaffree moved to issue a Notice of Filing and Opportunity to Comment on adequacy/deficiency with a deadline of 7 days (June 18, 2000). Commissioner Feland seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioners Anderson and Rowe voted aye.

(273) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Flathead Electric – Declaratory Ruling – Docket No. D2000.4.47; Commissioner McCaffree moved to issue Notice and Opportunity to Comment with a 30 day deadline. Commissioner Feland seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioners Anderson and Rowe voted aye.

APPEARANCE

Martin Jacobson

(274) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of FCC Inquiry on confidentiality of carrier line count data – FCC 96-45; Commissioner McCaffree moved to file comments noting Commissioner Rowe's dissent. Commissioner Feland seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioners Anderson and Rowe voted aye.

APPEARANCE

Jay Driscoll

(275) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of USWC – IntraLATA equal access cost recovery plan – Agreement between USWC and AT&T – Docket No. D98.4USWC – IntraLATA equal access cost recovery plan – Agreement between USWC and AT&T – Docket No. D98.4.86; Commissioner Feland moved to approve USWC's revised cost recovery as reasonable and approve the new EANRC of \$.002888/minute of use. Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Anderson and Rowe voted aye.

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APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt

(276) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of City of Helena – PSC Inquiry re: Helena's transportation of solid waste – Docket No. T-99.27-OTH; Commissioner McCaffree moved to approve the draft Final Order, subject to minor edits. Commissioner Feland seconded the motion. Motion was withdrawn and Commission requested staff to return to the Commission in one week with additional information.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCAFFREE, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

GARY FELAND, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

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At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, June 13, 2000 the following members were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Nancy McCaffree, Vice Chair
Bob Anderson, Commissioner
Gary Feland, Commissioner

Commissioner Anderson was at the NARUC Western Conference in Santa Fe, New Mexico, but left his vote with the Commission Secretary. Commissioner Rowe was at the NARUC Western Conference in Santa Fe, New Mexico, and did not vote on the following item.

APPEARANCE
Martin Jacobson

(277) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Treeline Springs, LLC – Initial Rates – Docket No. D98.12.289; Commissioner Feland moved to approve the request to extend interim order for one additional year to develop a more accurate historical test year data. Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Anderson voted aye.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCAFFREE, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

GARY FELAND, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, June 13, 2000 the following members were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Nancy McCaffree, Vice Chair
Gary Feland, Commissioner
Bob Rowe Commissioner

Commissioner Anderson was at NARUC – Western Conference in Santa Fe, New Mexico and did not vote on this item.

APPEARANCE
Denise Peterson

(278) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of USWC – Sale of Exchanges – Motion for Reconsideration – Docket No. D2000.1.11; Commissioner McCaffree moved to overrule the Motion for Reconsideration. Commissioner Feland seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner McCaffree moved to deny USWC request for reconsideration of MCC-16. Commissioner Feland seconded the motion, which passed 3-1. Commissioners Fisher, McCaffree and Rowe voted aye. Commissioner Feland dissented. Commissioner McCaffree moved to approve the moving of the hearing date to September 7 and 8, 2000. Commissioner Feland seconded the motion, which passed unanimously (5-0). Commissioner Anderson left his vote only on the moving of the hearing date with Staff Attorney, Denise Peterson.

APPEARANCE
Robin McHugh

(279) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Ronan Telephone – Reciprocal compensation tariff – Motions and Objections – Docket No. D2000.1.14; Commissioner McCaffree moved to sustain objections to RTC's 9, 10, 17, 18, 23, 26, 27 and 29; Overrule RTC's 16; and sustain RTC's 30 and 31 as asked, but note RTC could rephrase. Commissioner Feland seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Rowe voted aye.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCAFFREE, Vice Chair

GARY FELAND, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

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At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, June 13, 2000 the following members were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Nancy McCaffree, Vice Chair
Gary Feland, Commissioner

Commissioners Anderson and Rowe were at the NARUC - Western Conference in Santa Fe, New Mexico, and did not vote on the following item.

APPEARANCE

Robin McHugh, Wayne Budt, Dan Elliott

(280) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of the Governor's Award for Excellence in Performance 2000; Commissioner McCaffree moved to designate the Utility Division Complaint Staff as the Commissions recipients of the Governor's Excellence Award. Commissioner Feland seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCAFFREE, Vice Chair

GARY FELAND, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

Minutes.....June 15, 2000

10:00 a.m.

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Thursday, June 15, 2000 the following members were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Gary Feland, Commissioner
Bob Rowe Commissioner

Commissioner McCaffree was absent but left her proxy with Commissioner Fisher. Commissioner Anderson was absent and did not vote on the following item.

APPEARANCE
Robin McHugh

(281) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Pennsylvania PUC (joining in the Amicus Brief); Commissioner Rowe moved to approve the PSC's joining the Amicus Brief in support of the petition of the Michigan PSC for review by the United States Supreme Court of a decision of the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit (Commissioners of the Michigan PSC v. Michigan Bell Telephone Company and Climax Telephone Company). Commissioner Feland seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Fisher voted Commissioner McCaffree aye.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCAFFREE, Vice Chair

GARY FELAND, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

Minutes.....June 19, 2000

10:00 a.m.

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Monday, June 19, 2000, the following members were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Nancy McCaffree, Vice Chair
Bob Anderson, Commissioner
Gary Feland, Commissioner

Commissioner Rowe was at NARUC in Washington, D.C., but left his votes with the Commission Secretary.

APPEARANCE
Dan Elliott, Administrator
Utility Division

(282) In the matter of CENTRAL MONTANA COMMUNICATIONS, INC. N2000.5.78 - Central Montana Communications, Inc., of Havre, Montana, filed on May 31, 2000, proposed changes to its Local Network Access Line Service. The proposed changes will provide for a business line at a residence, at an intermediate rate of \$24.50 per month. This rate contains advertising restrictions and allows an additional residential business name listing at no additional charge. Locations where the phone is mandated to connect to an emergency service will also be classified at the \$24.50 per month rate. Commissioner Feland moved to approve the proposed changes. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Rowe voted aye.

There are no Transportation & Centralized Services Division Agenda Items.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCAFFREE, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

GARY FELAND, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

Minutes.....June 20, 2000

9:00 a.m.

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, June 20, 2000 the following members were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Nancy McCaffree, Vice Chair
Bob Anderson, Commissioner
Gary Feland, Commissioner

Commissioner Rowe was at NARUC in Washington, D.C., but participated by telephone in the following work sessions.

APPEARANCE

Leroy Beeby

(283) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of MPC – Electric Tariff Rule 10.1 – N2000.6.82 – To reduce the readings on 4 meters to annual; Commissioner Anderson moved to approve the request to reduce the meter readings to four (4) times per year. Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Denise Peterson, Will Rosquist

(284) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Montana Dakota Utilities – Universal System Benefits Program (USBP) – Final Order implementing USBP – Docket No. D99.2.29; Commissioner McCaffree moved to approve Final Order No. 6143c. Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Denise Peterson

(285) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Red Butte Pipeline – Transfer of assets – Protective Order – Docket No. D2000.5.73; Commissioner Rowe moved to issue the Protective Order. Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Robin McHugh, Mike Lee

(286) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Ronan Telephone – Reciprocal Compensation Tariff – To act on Ronan's objections to Data Response and Motion to Compel – Docket No. D2000.1.14; Commissioner Rowe moved to overrule Ronan's Objection to Montana Wireless Inc's. data response and Deny the Motion to Compel filed June 12, 2000. Commissioner Feland seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Martin Jacobson, Jay Driscoll

(287) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Triangle, Project, Mid Rivers, and 3 Rivers Telephone Coops – Extended Area Service – Docket Nos. D99.5.129 and D99.7.172; Commissioner Feland moved to direct staff to approve the procedure as presented by staff and directed staff to split the dockets (D99.5.129 for Project/Triangle; Mid-Rivers gets a new Docket No.; and D99.7.172 for 3 Rivers). Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Kate Whitney

(288) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of the Invitation Letter from ROC to participate in a regional effort to develop a post-271 anti-backsliding plan for US West Communications, Inc.; Commissioner McCaffree moved to approve the PSC's participation in the regional effort to develop a post-271 anti-backsliding plan for USWC. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Martin Jacobson

(289) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Protective Order Rules – Post Hearing discussion, direction and action – L-99.6.6-RUL

- Unanimous to Adopt Rule 1 with modifications.
- Unanimous to Adopt Rule 2 with modifications.
- Unanimous to Adopt Rule 3 as proposed.
- Unanimous to Adopt Rule 4 with Alternative B.
- Unanimous to Adopt Rule 5 with modifications.
- Unanimous to Adopt Rule 6 without 3b modification.
- Unanimous to Adopt Rule 6 with sub 4 modification
- Passed 3-2 to Adopt Rule 7 w sub 2 as modified and using alternative B. Commissioners McCaffree, Rowe and Anderson voted aye. Commissioners Fisher and Feland dissented.
- Unanimous to Adopt Rule 8 as proposed.
- Unanimous to Adopt Rule 9 with modifications.
- Unanimous to Adopt Rules 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 as proposed.
- Unanimous to Adopt Rule 20 with Alternative A.

Commissioner McCaffree moved to issue a Notice of Adoption of the Protective Order Rules. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt, Robin McHugh, Dan Elliott

(290) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Staff Travel; Commissioner Anderson moved to approve out-of-state travel for Kate Whitney to attend the OSS meetings in Boise and Salt Lake and approved 2 staff persons to attend the NARUC summer meetings in Los Angeles, California. Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

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There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCaffree, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

GARY FELAND, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

Minutes.....June 22, 2000

9:00 a.m.

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Thursday, June 22, 2000 the following members were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Nancy McCaffree, Vice Chair
Gary Feland, Commissioner

Commissioner Rowe participated by telephone while at the 706 Hearing in Denver, Colorado. Commissioner Anderson was absent and did not vote on the following items.

APPEARANCE

Robin McHugh, Mike Lee

(291) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of US West – UNE Deaveraging – Objection to the admission of a data response – Docket Nos. D96.11.200 and D99.12.277; Commissioner Rowe moved to sustain USW's objection (USWC-15), as to the document. Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Robin McHugh, Mike Lee, Kate Whitney

(292) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of US West – USWest Statement of Generally Available Terms (SGAT) – Docket No. D2000.6.90; Commissioner Rowe moved to direct staff to draft a Notice of Opportunity for Comment and Intervention. Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCAFFREE, Vice Chair

GARY FELAND, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

Minutes.....June 26, 2000

10:00 a.m.

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Monday, June 26, 2000, the following members were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Nancy McCaffree, Vice Chair
Bob Anderson, Commissioner
Gary Feland, Commissioner

Commissioner Rowe was in New Orleans at the CRUC Regional Meeting, but left his votes with the Commission Secretary.

There was no Utility Division Agenda.

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt, Administrator
Transportation & Centralized Services Division

(293) In the matter of T-00.25.PCN – On February 25, 2000 the Town of Terry, Terry, Montana filed an application for a Class D, Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. Protests were filed. Applicant proposed limitations to the application and protests were withdrawn.

Class D – Garbage between all points and places within five (5) air miles on both sides of Interstate 94, beginning at the Custer County/Prairie County line on the frontage road approximately fifteen (15) miles west of Terry, Prairie County, Montana, continuing through Prairie County and ending at the Prairie County/Dawson County line approximately 17 miles northeast of Terry, Prairie County, Montana. Carrier is allowed to transport authorized commodities to certified landfills from territory authorized. LIMITATION: Service north of the Yellowstone River just north of Fallon, Prairie County, Montana.

Commissioner Feland moved to grant the Class D PCN. Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Rowe voted aye.

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10:00 a.m.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCAFFREE, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

GARY FELAND, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

Minutes.....June 27, 2000

9:00 a.m.

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, June 27, 2000 the following members were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Nancy McCaffree, Vice Chair
Bob Anderson, Commissioner
Gary Feland, Commissioner

Commissioner Rowe was in New England at NECPUC Regional Meeting but participated in the following work sessions by telephone.

APPEARANCE

Robin McHugh, Will Rosquist

(294) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Montana Dakota Utility – Docket No. D99.9.215; Commissioner McCaffree moved to accept MDU's 1999 Integrated Resource Plan. Commissioner Feland seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Martin Jacobson

(295) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Telecommunications Flexible Pricing Rules – Docket L-00.6.4-RUL; Commissioner Anderson moved to approve noticing the proposed rules for hearing subject to dates of hearing being approved. Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(296) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Mid-Rivers ETC – D99.11.250; Commissioner Feland moved to grant Mid Rivers ETC request for PSC Certification to FCC and USAC. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Martin Jacobson

(297) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Hot Springs Telephone Co. – Petition to Amend Interest-on-Deposits Rule – Docket L-00.5.3-RUL; Commissioner Rowe moved to grant the Petition for Rulemaking and issue a Notice for Comment. Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt, Robin McHugh, Dan Elliott

(298) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of staff travel; Commissioner moved to approve out-of-state travel for Robin McHugh to attend a TRA Class in Portland, Oregon. Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

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9:00 a.m.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCaffree, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

GARY FELAND, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

Minutes.....June 29, 2000

9:00 a.m.

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Thursday, June 29, 2000 the following members were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Nancy McCaffree, Vice Chair
Gary Feland, Commissioner

Commissioner Rowe was in New Orleans at the CRUC Regional Meeting, but left his votes with the Commission Secretary. Commissioner Anderson was absent but left his proxy to Commissioner Rowe.

APPEARANCE

Robin McHugh, Mike Lee Scott Fabel

(299) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Ronan Telephone – Reciprocal Compensation Filing – Docket No. D2000.1.14; Commissioner Rowe moved to deny the Motion to Strike in its Entirety. Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Rowe votes Commissioner Anderson aye.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCAFFREE, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

GARY FELAND, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)